



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 6544**
Benoit PUGIN et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2005_1466A
Serial No. 10/552,066 : Group Art Unit 1621
Filed October 5, 2005 : Examiner Sudhakar Katakam

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**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION
AND ELECTION OF SPECIES**

Commissioner for Patents
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ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of April 2, 2008, constituting a requirement for restriction among Groups I-IV, as defined by the Examiner on page 2 of the Office Action, Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group I, i.e. claims 1-5 and 7-8 drawn to the compounds.

Referring to item 3 on page 3 of the Office Action, wherein the Examiner requires an election of a single disclosed species, Applicants elect compound 29 on page 54 of the specification. Applicants also request that the Examiner examine compound 30 on page 55. Both compounds are the same, except having different stereochemistry; and they were made using different preparation routes. Compound 29 falls under general formula (1a) of claim 1, while compound 30 falls under general formula (1b) of claim 1.

The claims which read on the elected species are claims 1, 2, 4 and 5.

Applicants emphasize that the foregoing elections are made with traverse, based on arguments set forth below.